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Proposed Amended Claims 1, 7, 8 for discussion purposes

1A (Currently Amended) A method for attaching a drivable anchor to a wallboard, the anchor useful in association with a pin, the method comprising:

driving the anchor into the wallboard without a need for pre-drilling the wallboard, the anchor having a pivotable section and a wallboard support section, and wherein a driving support surface of the pivotable section is in contact with and supported by the wallboard support section thereby preventing the pivotable section from pivoting prematurely while driving the anchor into the wallboard; and

inserting the pin into a channel of the wallboard support section of the anchor, thereby causing the pivotable section of the anchor to pivot and come into contact an interior surface of the wallboard and wherein the driving support surface of the pivotable section is no longer in contact with and no longer supported by the wallboard support section.

1B (Currently Amended) A method for attaching a drivable anchor to a wallboard, the anchor useful in association with a pin, the method comprising:

driving the anchor into the wallboard without a need for pre-drilling the wallboard, the anchor having a pivotable section and a wallboard support section, and wherein a driving support surface of the pivotable section is in contact with and supported by the wallboard support section thereby preventing the pivotable section from deviating [**deflecting or bending**] away from a driving axis of the anchor while driving the anchor into the wallboard; and

inserting the pin into a channel of the wallboard support section of the anchor, thereby causing the pivotable section of the anchor to pivot and come into contact an interior surface of the wallboard and wherein the driving support surface of the pivotable section is no longer in contact with and no longer supported by the wallboard support section.

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7A (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein an external cross-sectional profile of the anchor is [elongated] substantially oval, rectangular, diamond, elliptical or flattened so as to provide a larger load-bearing surface for the wallboard, the cross-sectional profile being perpendicular to a driving axis of the anchor.

[** support on Paragraph 33 **]

7B (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein an external cross-sectional profile of the anchor is [elongated] substantially oval, rectangular, diamond, elliptical or flattened along a substantially horizontal axis relative to the wallboard so as to provide a larger load-bearing surface [for] between the anchor and the wallboard, the cross-sectional profile being perpendicular to a driving axis of the anchor.

8A (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein an internal cross-sectional profile of the channel is [elongated] substantially oval, rectangular, diamond, elliptical or flattened so as to accommodate a range of pin sizes and types, the cross-sectional profile being perpendicular to a driving axis of the anchor.

[** support on Paragraphs 33, 34 and Figure 1C, see "Channel 130" **]

